Housing Scheme in Andhra Pradesh for beedi workers

1442. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government will increase the funds for the housing schemes in Andhra Pradesh for beedi workers;

(b) whether it is a fact that there is a great need for housing for the beedi workers of Andhra Pradesh; and

(c) how Government propose to meet this demand?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI P.A. SANGMA): (a) to (c) Since the resource available under the Beedi Workers Welfare Fund are limited, the same are to be allocated between various welfare schemes being undertaking for providing health, educational, housing and recreartional facilities to the beedi workers. While making this allocation, due note is being taken of demand for housing schemes from different beedi producing States subject to the limitation on availability of funds.

Export of Drugs and Pharmaceuticals

1443. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minsiter of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of drugs and pharmaceuticals exported and foreign exchange earned therefrom during the last three years, till date; and

(b) The steps taken by Government to boost the export of drugs and pharmaceuticals?

THE MINSITER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAMD): (a) Figures for export of drugs and pharmaceuticals including fine chemicals during the last 3 years are as under:—

(Value Rs. Crores)

1992-93	1993-94	1994-95
1533.04 (Quantity-wise details are not maintained)	2009.69	2493.69

(Source ; DGCI&S)

(b) Drugs and pharmaceuticals is identified by the Government as on 'Extreme Focus' Group of items for the export promotions. The steps taken by the Government in accordance with this include, interalia, extension of market Development Assistance, liberalistion in the policy and procedures and promotion of measures like exchange of trade delegations, paricipation in trade fairs abroad, and exchange and dissemination of relevant information.

परियोनजाओं की लागत में वृद्धि

1444. **श्री राम जेठमलानी:**
श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज:

क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 5 जून, 1995 के "पायनियर" में "कास्ट ओवररन्स प्लेग इन्फ्रास्ट्रकचर प्रोजेक्टस" शीर्षक के अंतर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि विलम्ब से निर्माण शुरू के कारण विभिन्न अवसंरचनात्मक परियोजनाओं की निर्माण लागत में वृद्धि हुई है;

(ग) यदि हां, तो सिंचाई, सड़क, रेल, विद्युत संचार, कोयला, और उर्वरक जैसी अवसंरचनात्मक परियोजनाओं की, जो अप्रैल, 1995 में निर्माणाधीन थीं, संख्या कितनी है; और

(घ) उनमें से कितनी परियोजनाएं अपने निर्धारित समय से पीछे चल रही हैं और इस विलम्ब के कारण उनकी लागत में कितने-कितने प्रतिशत की वृद्धि हुई है?